

What is claimed is:

1. A fuel injector (1) for direct injection of fuel into a combustion chamber of an internal combustion engine, having at least one retaining flange (5), which is situated on a nozzle body (2) of the fuel injector (1) and projects radially beyond the nozzle body (2), which has a working surface (6) for a hold-down device and is positionable on a seating surface (7) on a cylinder head of the internal combustion engine, wherein the retaining flange (5) extends over only a portion of the periphery of the fuel injector (1).
2. The fuel injector according to Claim 1, wherein there are two retaining flanges (5) situated opposite one another.
3. The fuel injector according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein each retaining flange (5) is manufactured as a separate component and is joined to the nozzle body (2) in an integral or friction-locking manner.
4. The fuel injector according to Claim 3, wherein each retaining flange (5) is welded to the nozzle body (2).
5. The fuel injector according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein each retaining flange (5) is designed in one piece with the nozzle body (2).
6. The fuel injector according to one of Claims 1 through 5, wherein the retaining flanges (5) each cover an angular range of approx. 45° in the peripheral direction.